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Dear Mr. Ciavattieri,

I have read with interest about the EPA cleanup plan for PCBs in the Acushnet River and I am also concerned for children that live and play along the river.

I am now 36 years old, but as a child my brothers and I spent a good deal of time playing and fishing in the Acushnet River. This would be 1959 to 1960's that we played there. It was a very nice place to fish, and the fish were abundant; not to mention hundreds of eels that we would catch. It is sad to see it today so badly polluted that sea life is not viable there.

I am also curious to know if my brothers and I are at risk of any harmful effects from PCBs in the river at that time.

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If you know of the long-term effects PCB's may have on one's health and if we should be tested for blood levels of PCB's, please let me know. We are all in good health at present.

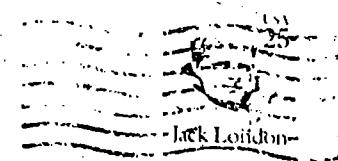
I know there is much concern for the children that play there now, and there should be, but what about the children that played there years ago; when the factories were still spewing the PCB's into the river?

I would greatly appreciate a response from you; or from someone from the EPA with knowledge on this subject.

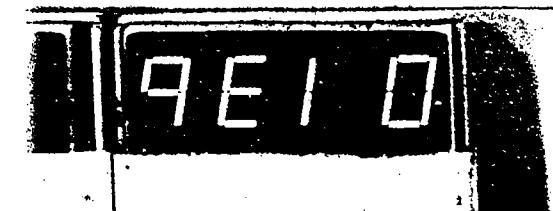
Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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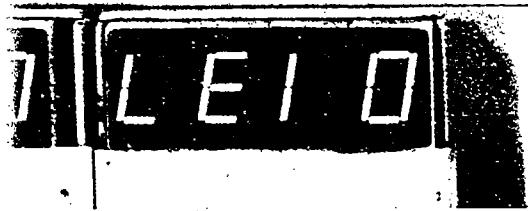


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